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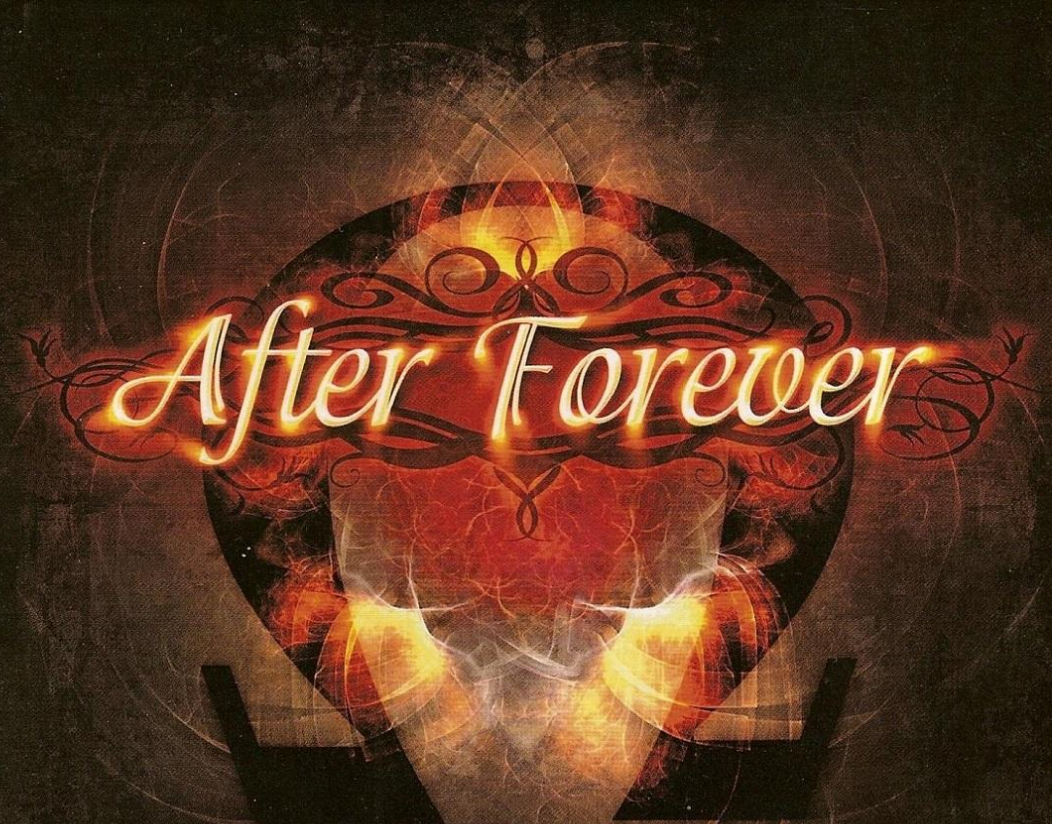
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DISCORD

// you need to get out of my sight! / *A lonely heart can beat* / you're too dangerous
A lonely heart can bleed / i cannot stand it to be enclosed but isolated / *A lonely heart can be enclosed but isolated* / you're too much / *A lonely heart is weak* / too dependant / *A broken heart will seek* / you take the Life out of me, no heart is broken forever / *Its broken promises, but my faith is broken forever* // can't you believe that this power we feel can be for real? / The smile that was given Light now seems to freeze, but why? // *A lonely heart will break* / pressure will make me forsake you / *A lonely heart won't forsake me* / As if we're both the same, wounded and beaten but still not defeated / *A lonely heart can be wounded and beaten but still not defeated* / 'cause i won't let you in! / *So if it's all for real* / your weakness will be my strength / *Your heart should be melting* / you might be lonely but i am not beloved and bounded forever / *Because we're all the same, beloved and bounded forever* // can't you believe that this power we feel can be for real? / the smile that was given Light now seems to freeze, but why? / won't you believe? / won't you embrace it? / can't you believe / the power between us? // **Oh, discord, see them fail, oh!** // won't you believe? / won't you embrace it? / can't you believe in the power between us? / can't you believe that this power we feel, can be for real? / The smile that was given Light now seems to freeze, but why? //

EVOKE

// so wild, so beautiful and pure / ALL elements divine / the essence of all Life // so vast, extensive and remote / unbridled and erratic / savage but glorious // it bursts; its energy is stirring / it calls; its drawing power will enchant us with its might / its massive spirit's bright / let it flow! // *Its endless beauty will evoke* / *A timeless sequence we all share* / *We can not break through nor control* / *But to feel its true soul, dare to concede and to connect* // emerging waves and brightened skies / the sun that burns in your eyes / the wind that blows and pounds // it shines, its energy is whirling / it fights, will not be interfered with people who can't feel, it is all nature's flow let it flow! // *Its endless beauty will evoke* / *A timeless sequence we all share* / *We can not break through nor control* / *We should cherish it!* // oh, energy // oh, evoke me // *Let it flow!* / *Its endless beauty will evoke* / *A timeless sequence we all share* / *We can not break through nor control* / *It is not at our command, no!* //



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T R A N S I T O R Y

// Life, at its best, you are doing fine / But you're blind, it's china you hold / As it breaks, suddenly
it's clear; beautiful but transitory // But we won't break easy, we won't give in to all unbearable
pain / We'll pull through, we won't crack, we'll endure and survive // **Oh, transitory / Pain is as life
itself / Evanescent as it fades // Transitory!** // Life, all you've got, all was swept away / Now you
see what there is to miss / suddenly you're stronger than you thought / As you know it's transitory
// 'cause we won't break / survival is all we've got and our unbearable grief / we'll hold on and won't
crack / And we'll value all life // **Oh, transitory / Pain is as life itself / Evanescent as it fades**

E N E R G I Z E M E

// **Energize me with a simple touch or with an open heart / Energize me, fire up this flame that's
burning between us** // It's not a fantasy, another mystery / It's just what i can feel, it's something
i can see / It's like a memory, an inner melody / It's just what we all know, and we all hear. // i was
blind / i was closed down / could not feel or set it free! // **Energize me with a simple touch or with
an open heart / Energize me, fire up this flame that's burning between us** // it lies in everyone,
this whirling energy / it's all around us too, electrifying you / so dare to set it free, this virtue is the
key / to something we all know and we all use // i can feel it's inside me / open up, enlighten me
**Energize me with a simple touch or with an open heart / Energize me, fire up this flame that's
burning between us // Energize me with a simple smile, open up your mind / Energize me, activate
the light that's given and taken** // can you believe in the power that's burning between us / would
you believe if you open up your mind, open up your heart // **Energize me with a simple touch or
with an open heart / Energize me, fire up this flame that's burning between us // Energize me with
a simple smile, open up your mind / Energize me, fire up this flame that's burning forever**

E Q U A L L Y D E S T R U C T I V E

// ground is shaking / waves are breaking / The wind has lost control // The air is shifting /
while its lifting force fools gravity // A huge eruption / vast explosions / As it bursts the earth //
water's pounding / waves are sounding deadly and extreme // **'But we are equally destructive'** //
equally destructive as we are / don't you think we've also gone too far? / we are just a part of this
machine and its endless stream // Alarming silence / predicts the violence that is yet to come //
we are senseless / proud while blindness is catching up with us // we must measure / while the
pressure of nature's force expands // we feel minor / punished and meager / betrayed by all our
gods // **'We are a part of it, we are equally destructive'** // equally destructive as we are / don't
you think we've also gone too far? / we are just a part of this machine and its endless stream //

W I T H E R I N G T I M E

Withering time, so elusive / So shapeless / Graceful coil, crumbling glory / It will revive / Exalt the endless chain / Exalt the withering times // Time decides what lives or dies / Time can crawl and time can fly / It can wither and erase / It can make a new beginning // There is nothing time can't beat / There is nothing time will need / To destroy and bloom again / A vicious circle older than the earth // Decay, destroy to reform again / withering time // *Withering time, so elusive / So shapeless / Graceful coil, crumbling glory / It will revive / Exalt the endless chain / Exalt the withering times* // Broken windows, blistering paint / Lashing winds, hot suns and rain / Wood has splintered, walls are cracked / The elements are just as vicious // All what men have made won't last / In the future as in the past / But our memories are strong and will outlive all circles of time // Time; transcend beyond all life, transcend beyond // On! until the end of time, on and on! / Live! before we waste our time, before we run out // Broken, blistering, lashing, splintering, cracking, crawling, flying, withering time // *Withering time, so elusive / So shapeless / Graceful coil, crumbling glory / It will revive / Withering time, so elusive / So shapeless / Graceful coil, crumbling glory / It will revive / Exalt the endless chain / Exalt the withering times* //

D E - E N E R G I Z E D

// you take, you give nothing but misery / you are reluctant in your vanity / your eyes are blinded by your conceit / you turn my fire into negative energy // you are estranged by your jealousy / A weakness in your personality / Your lack of social skills annoy me / you fuel my hate by your negative energy // *I see a false alliance causing all this pain / I see a sick relation ending up in vain / I see a world at war because of pride and might / I feel we're all getting de-energized* // I am amazed by your ability / to make me feel all this insanity / I am discouraged by your falsity / you sink so low to get things done your way // *I see a false alliance causing all this pain / I see a sick relation ending up in vain / I see a world at war because of pride and might / I feel we're all getting de-energized* // Unwilling, absent, dissenting / Conflicting, adverse, annoying / You're cureless, painless, disgusting / False, ruthless, blinded, recusant // *You damage, injure and destroy / Unbalanced, troubled, unfaithful / You're senseless, heartless and fearless / Cold, hostile, distant and empty. You're a freak!* // you won't get closer to my dignity / something you've lost, just like empathy / I won't degrade to your pathetic ways / nor let you take any more positive energy // *I see a false alliance causing all this pain / I see a sick relation ending up in vain / I see a world at war because of pride and might / I feel we're all getting de-energized* //



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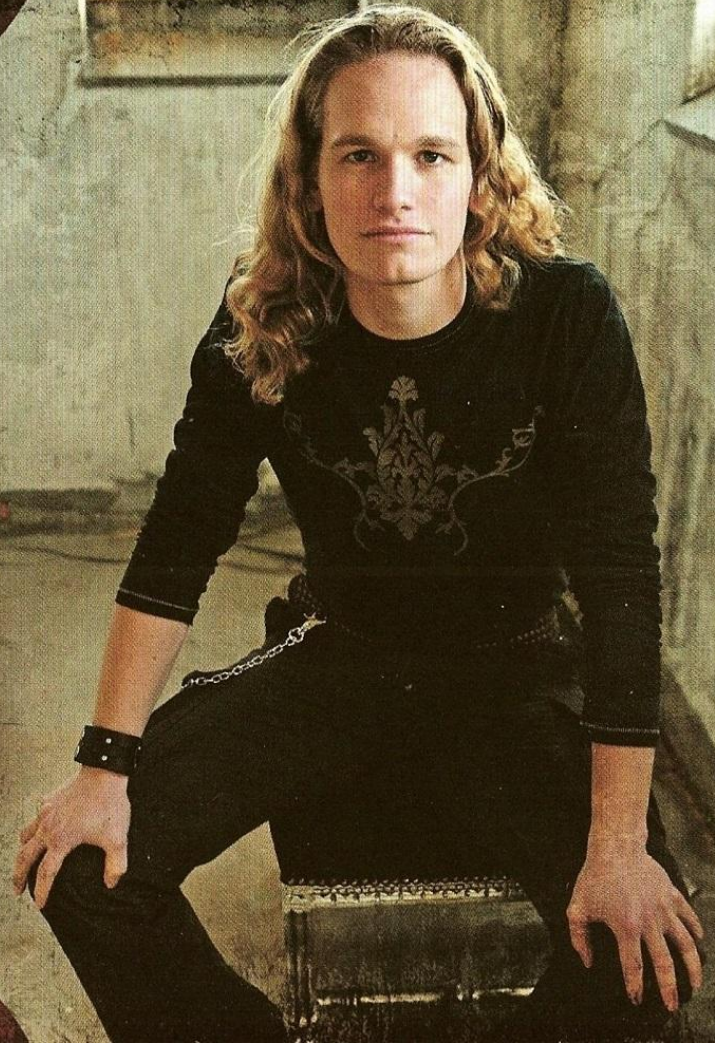
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C R Y W I T H A S M I L E

// cry with a smile / my heart is bleeding / bewildered i'm here alone / why is there pain
in a beautiful moment? / why do i feel so lost, so empty? // cry with a smile / my heart is
healing / from pain i knew that would come / why is there luck in a deeply sad moment? /
why do i feel so calm, so peaceful? // **Take my heart and set it free / Take my heart and give
it time to heal / I know; in my memories you'll live / Take my heart a little while / Take it
with you to the place you'll go / I know we will meet again some day** // cry with a smile /
my heart was dreaming / of time i new would come to an end / why do i cry about a beautiful
memory? / why do i feel so hurt, so lonely? // **Take my heart and set it free / Take my heart
and give it time to heal / I know; in my memories you'll live / Take my heart a little while /
Take it with you to the place you'll go / I know we will meet again some day** //

E N V I S I O N

// i see it, i hear but cannot know how you are feeling / i sense it but can't comprehend //
he's standing there waiting for the news to hear what's wrong with her / his feelings go way
beyond my own // **Only sense it, only imagine their fate / Just envision, the only way to
relate** // we try to, we say so but we can only imagine / we want to, but can't empathize //
she's lying there crying, for the truth was stronger than her pain / her feelings go way beyond
my own // **Only sense it, only imagine their fate / Just envision, the only way to relate for
real** // **Only sense it, only imagine their fate / Just envision, the only way to relate / Can we
sense it? Can we imagine their fate? / Just envision, there is no way we relate for real** //

W H O I A M

// **Doro:** you hypnotize me! // **Floor:** i do not dare to look / **Doro:** you mesmerize me! // **Floor:**
don't even dare to feel. // **Doro:** i want to have it just to prove i can take control. / i want to
have it just to show them i won't be fooled / i'll take it / i'll break it / or force it just to let
them know who i am, who i am // **Floor:** i should wait and think it over / i don't want to push,
that is not who i am, who i am // **Floor:** i'll softly touch this // **Doro:** i'll fire up this flame //
Floor: i'll hold on gently // **Doro:** it's time to lead the game // **Doro:** i want to have it just to
prove i can take control. / i want to have it just to show them i won't be fooled / i'll take it
i'll break it / or force it just to let them know who i am, who i am // **Floor:** i should wait and
think it over / i don't want to push, that's not who i am, who i am // **Doro:** i want to have it /
i want to break it and take it, or force it just to let them know who i am, who i am // **Floor:**
i should wait and think it over, i don't want to push, oh no, that's not who i am, who i am //

D R E A M F L I G H T

// welcome, and wake up! / this is not a dream but something in between that and reality / wake up if you dare! / this is not the regular nightmare! // before your eyes the world will change / slowly take you down to unknown places / welcome to a world that's only yours / wake up if you dare and just follow me! // Leave me alone, my dreams speak to me or am I still awake? / Leave me alone, I'm my own threat, I'm a victim of my mind. Let go! // I fooled you, I warned you though, I won't let go before you've dreamed all your dreams / I'll play you, you want me to... / you ask for more, you want to know // Leave me now, I need to know I'm in control / leave me alone, leave me be within my private fantasies / Let go! // I told you: I won't let go / I want to show you what dreams can do for you / They'll free you, they'll open doors, they show you all you want to know // As some is light and some is dark, dreams can be both, they have two sides! // Fear, I am your fear deep inside / **Fear, face all your fears deep in this dream, we are the dark side of your mind** / pain, I am your pain deep inside / **Pain, feel all your pain deep in this dream / Feel it's a part of you / You are like your dreams, both light as dark, come with us now and explore** // silence, I'm here / no words, no sounds, no pain or doubts / I'm floating, even time itself can never touch me, I am free! // silence, I'm here / no voices, no music / I'm roaming through this soundless place, leave me here where I am free! // doubt, I am your doubt deep inside / I am all you try to hide / hate, I am your hate deep inside / I am your mirror, your fright! // **Energized by nightly views / You are the dream, the dream is you, aah...** // so face it, you know I'm right! / you have no reason to resent me and fight / you are me and I am you! the other side of the sleepy truth // Leave me please, how can I rest with you inside? / leave me alone, I'm too tired for these crazy theories, let go! // I'll leave you, but won't let go / for I am part of all you'll ever do / I'll help you, I'll open doors and show you all you need to know for I'm your 'dream energizer'! //

E M P T Y M E M O R I E S

// here, here in this heart it's cold, cold as stone / must welcome these memories, as shallow as my eyes have slowly become // hearts, frail heart left broken / cold and known for its bitter agony / here are the memories as empty as my life has slowly become / sting, crush and bite in my soul, my heart bleeds // **Times changed forever that night / Leaving only empty memories / Empty memories won't heal the pain** // we know only sorrow / there's no future in tomorrow / all our hopes were buried too young for the years that should have followed // we know only hatred / there's no future in our anguish / for all hope is buried with life and reprisal, will be ours // it's empty / we're empty / they're empty memories // here, here in this heart / cold as stone, for no feelings there to warm, it is as empty as our dreams and hopes / now our future is gone / it stings and bites in my soul, my heart bleeds! // **Times changed forever that night / Leaving only empty memories / Time was changed forever that night / Leaving me - no, no, no - alone with empty memories / Empty memories / Empty memories** //

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// what would happen if i go? / just leave without any reason why? / would someone wonder why? would
someone miss me? // what would happen if i couldn't take it? / just break without any signs up front /
would someone pick it up? / would someone help me out? // 'cause Life ain't easy for me / Ain't easy alone
This is my path, it's Lonely // what would happen if i change? / just wake up one day not quite the same /
would someone wonder why? would someone know how i was before? / would they like me better knowing
i am not the one i was / what would happen if i lie? // 'cause Life ain't easy for me / Ain't easy alone
This is my path, it's Lonely //

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